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Sir:

In compliance with 37 CFR. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, applicant hereby cites to the Commissioner the below-listed reference (a copy of which is enclosed herewith), in connection with the above-identified application. Also, a completed Form 1449, listing the cited reference, is enclosed herewith.

This information disclosure statement (IDS) is being submitted under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), under which a fee of \$180. is due, as provided under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above-noted fee of \$180., and any other fees associated with the filing of this IDS, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-2550.

The cited reference is as follows:

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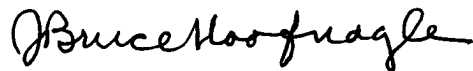
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This IDS is not intended to represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists. Applicant reserves the right to contest the applicability of the reference submitted herewith as prior art against the subject application.

If the Examiner wishes to discuss any aspects of this IDS, or any other aspects of this application, the Examiner should call applicant's representative, J. Bruce Hoofnagle, at 410 442-2417.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "J. Bruce Hoofnagle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

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